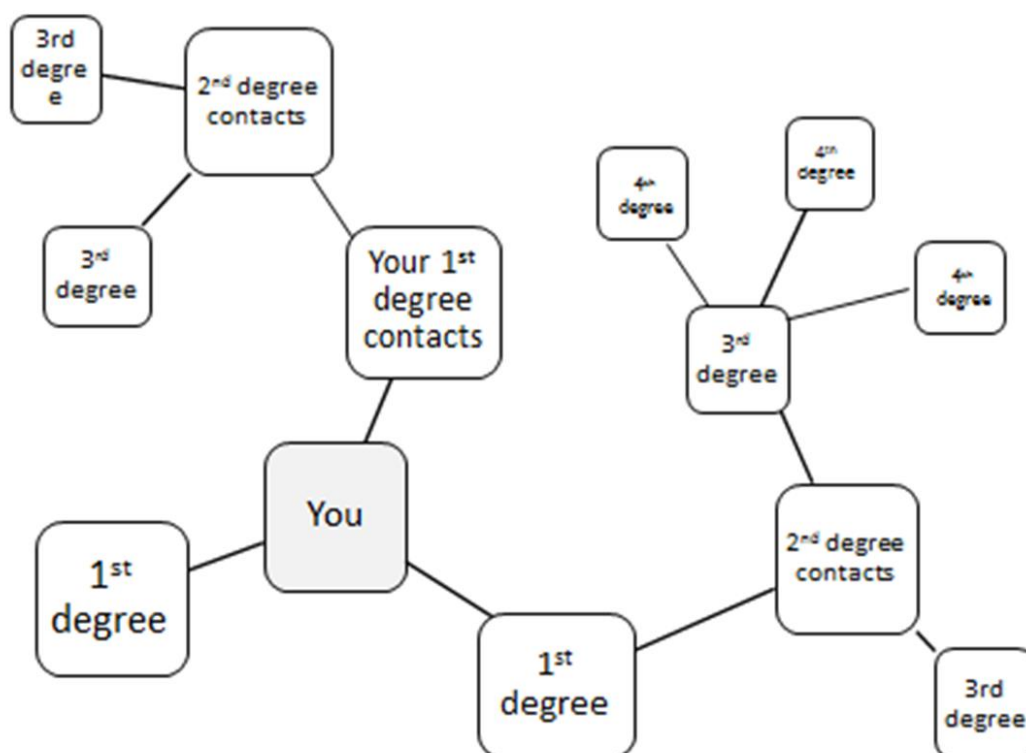




2.2.2 Map your intertextual network

Your goal is to decide the thinkers and ideas underpinning your thinking and work, both conceptual and methodological.

1. Put yourself in the centre of a piece of paper (as below) and then decide on your 1st degree contacts: enter the names of these people/ideas you draw on/cite most regularly.
2. Next, consider who they cite(d) regularly; map these people as your 2nd degree contacts. How familiar are you with the work of your 2nd degree contacts? Do you need to become more familiar with their work?
3. You can continue this exercise to the 3rd and 4th degrees of contact. Especially if you come from a field that is applied, you may find that these contacts are in other disciplinary fields. Have you ever looked at their work?



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